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Schumer Report: Upstate New York Vets Could Be Shortchanged Over \$101 Million By Budget Cuts

Today, U.S. Senator Charles E. Schumer revealed that the current Administration's budget shortchanges those veterans' health care needs by more than \$100 million, part of a \$2.8 billion potential nationwide shortfall. Right now there are over 637,400 veterans living in upstate New York, with over 263,600 enrolled in the VA health service. In the wake of the scandal involving outpatient care at Walter Reed Army Medical Center, Schumer has called for a new commission to investigate conditions at military health care facilities across the country.

Schumer used data compiled by the New York State Division of Veterans Affairs.

Right now there are **83,273** veterans living in the **Capital Region** with **34,302** enrolled in the VA health service. The current budget would shortchange these vets by **\$15,310,020**.

County	Total Veterans Population	Total Veterans Enrolled in Medical Service	Shortfall
Albany	21,539	9,377	\$11,060,221
Fulton	5,256	2,118	\$441,535
Montgomery	4,562	1,767	\$388,964
Rensselaer	12,288	5,256	\$811,505
Saratoga	18,215	7,307	\$1,097,143
Schenectady	12,264	4,899	\$913,481
Schoharie	3,088	1,201	\$205,406
Washington	6,061	2,377	\$391,766
Capital Region Total	83,273	34,302	\$15,310,020

Right now there are **73,840** veterans living in **Central New York** with **30,558** enrolled in the VA health service. The current budget would shortchange these vets by **\$15,074,826**.

County	Total Veterans Population	Total Veterans Enrolled in Medical Service	Shortfall
Onondaga	32,453	13,910	\$11,759,266
Oswego	11,016	4,342	\$829,098
Cortland	3,667	1,554	\$225,386
Madison	5,748	2,186	\$390,884
Oneida	20,955	8,566	\$1,870,192
Central New York Total	73,840	30,558	\$15,074,826

Right now there are **93,456** veterans living in the **Rochester - Finger Lakes Region** with **37,731** enrolled in the VA health service. The current budget would shortchange these vets by **\$10,478,514**.

County	Total Veterans Population	Total Veterans Enrolled in Medical Service	Shortfall
Monroe	51,551	20,884	\$3,010,720
Cayuga	7,085	2,924	\$523,324
Livingston	5,549	2,088	\$329,542
Ontario	8,438	3,564	\$5,155,807
Schuyler	2,996	1,201	\$272,612
Seneca	2,015	779	\$136,124
Tompkins	5,427	2,225	\$344,852
Wayne	8,006	3,148	\$490,525
Yates	2,389	918	\$215,007
Finger Lakes Total	93,456	37,731	\$10,478,514

Right now there are **144,846** veterans living in the **Hudson Valley** with **63,076** enrolled in the VA health service. The current budget would shortchange these vets by **\$18,482,346**.

County	Total Veterans Population	Total Veterans Enrolled in Medical Service	Shortfall
Westchester	45,614	20,979	\$10,175,439
Orange	15,054	6,654	\$839,165
Columbia	21,683	9,155	\$3,254,685
Dutchess	13,936	6,079	\$870,044
Greene	5,877	2,620	\$434,373
Putnam	25,110	10,391	\$1,665,201
Rockland	4,585	1,822	\$361,251
Sullivan	6,073	2,477	\$582,070
Ulster	6,915	2,899	\$300,117
Hudson Valley Total	144,846	63,076	\$18,482,346

Right now there are **53,286** veterans living in the **North Country** with **21,116** enrolled in the VA health service. The current budget would shortchange these vets by **\$4,627,917**.

County	Total Veterans Population	Total Veterans Enrolled in Medical Service	Shortfall
Clinton	7,256	2,905	\$772,323
St. Lawrence	9,800	3,795	\$905,489
Warren	6,944	2,750	\$473,088
Essex	4,463	1,786	\$289,167
Franklin	4,229	1,753	\$364,572
Hamilton	685	277	\$38,092
Herkimer	6,340	2,527	\$515,072
Jefferson	11,021	4,326	\$1,108,508
Lewis	2,548	997	\$161,606
North Country Total	53,286	21,116	\$4,627,917

Right now there are **58,842** veterans living in the **Southern Tier** with **24,019** enrolled in the VA health service. The current budget would shortchange these vets by **\$15,453,877**.

County	Total Veterans Population	Total Veterans Enrolled in Medical Service	Shortfall
Broome	16,516	6,955	\$1,115,254
Allegany	4,730	1,772	\$358,241
Chemung	8,738	3,497	\$8,108,196
Chenango	4,963	1,990	\$377,650
Delaware	4,505	1,835	\$332,345
Otsego	5,034	2,083	\$442,677
Steuben	9,438	3,914	\$4,426,714
Tioga	4,920	1,973	\$292,800
Southern Tier Total	58,842	24,019	\$15,453,877

Right now there are **129,899** veterans living in **Western New York** with **52,834** enrolled in the VA health service. The current budget would shortchange these vets by **\$21,941,399**.

County	Total Veterans Population	Total Veterans Enrolled in Medical Service	Shortfall
Erie	76,781	31,636	\$17,159,039
Genesee	5,431	2,061	\$1,386,154
Niagara	19,016	7,806	\$1,336,697
Orleans	3,664	1,448	\$280,293
Wyoming	3,828	1,497	\$249,622
Cattaraugus	8,545	3,249	\$631,683
Chautauqua	12,634	5,137	\$897,912
Western NY Total	129,899	52,834	\$21,941,399

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